



ANKENY POLICE DEPARTMENT

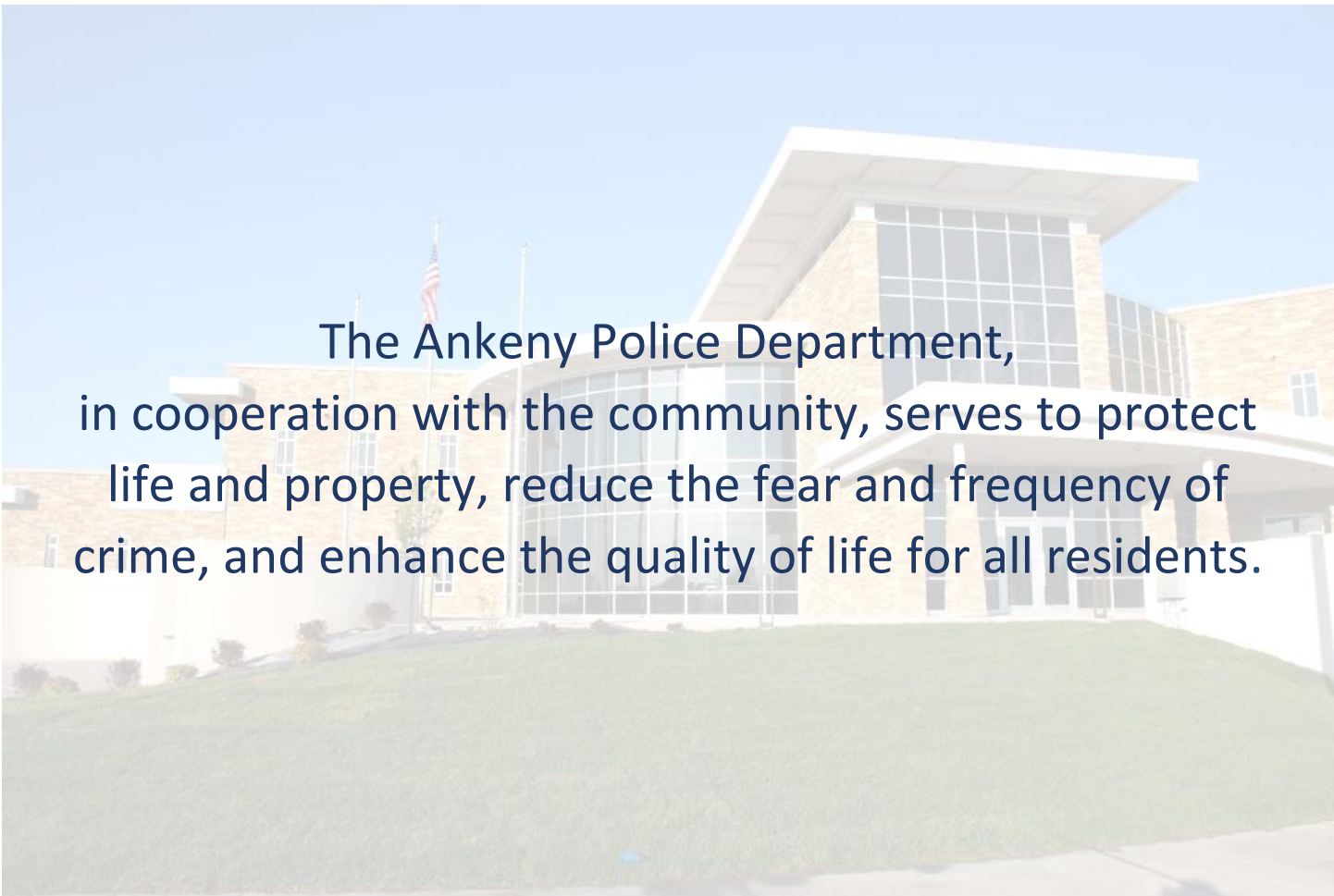
2014 ANNUAL REPORT



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Mission Statement

A photograph of the Ankeny Police Department building, a modern structure with large glass windows and a flat roof, set against a clear blue sky. The building is surrounded by a green lawn and some landscaping. An American flag is visible on a pole to the left of the building.

The Ankeny Police Department,
in cooperation with the community, serves to protect
life and property, reduce the fear and frequency of
crime, and enhance the quality of life for all residents.





The 2014 Ankeny Police Department Annual Report is produced for the residents of our city to help understand crime and crime trends. The data collection is captured by a record management system through our calls for service as well as reports generated by police officers via TraCS, an initiative by Iowa DOT. The data collection is limited by the coding of events at the time the event is reported. Criminal coding was modified in 2014 and our analysts were very cautious to accurately extract similar crimes to match earlier reports.

The Uniform Crime Report (UCR) remains the standard for crime measure as well as comparison between communities across this country. The UCR numbers are reflected in the FBI Annual Crime Report and that data is typically used by realtors and social web sites to assess the safety of community or neighborhood.

Technology crimes continue to spike with data breaches affecting residents and their bank accounts. Despite national data breaches the safety of our community is underscored by zero homicides and robberies in 2014. All other major crime categories remained relatively stable with very small increases or decreases.

Officers continue to expend very much time on mental health calls and social service calls. Increased training and intervention strategies evolve regularly to manage these events as resources also increase or decrease.

The men and women of the Ankeny Police Department are proud to present the 2014 Ankeny Police Department Annual Report as a measure of our success and great relationship with the residents we serve.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Gary J. Mikulec". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Gary J. Mikulec
Chief of Police



Ankeny City Government

Gary Lorenz	Mayor
Mark Holm	Mayor Pro tem
Wade Steenhoek	Council Member
Bobbi Bentz	Council Member
Jim McKenna	Council Member
Kerry Walter-Ashby	Council Member
David Jones	City Manager
Paul Moritz	Assistant City Manager

State Government

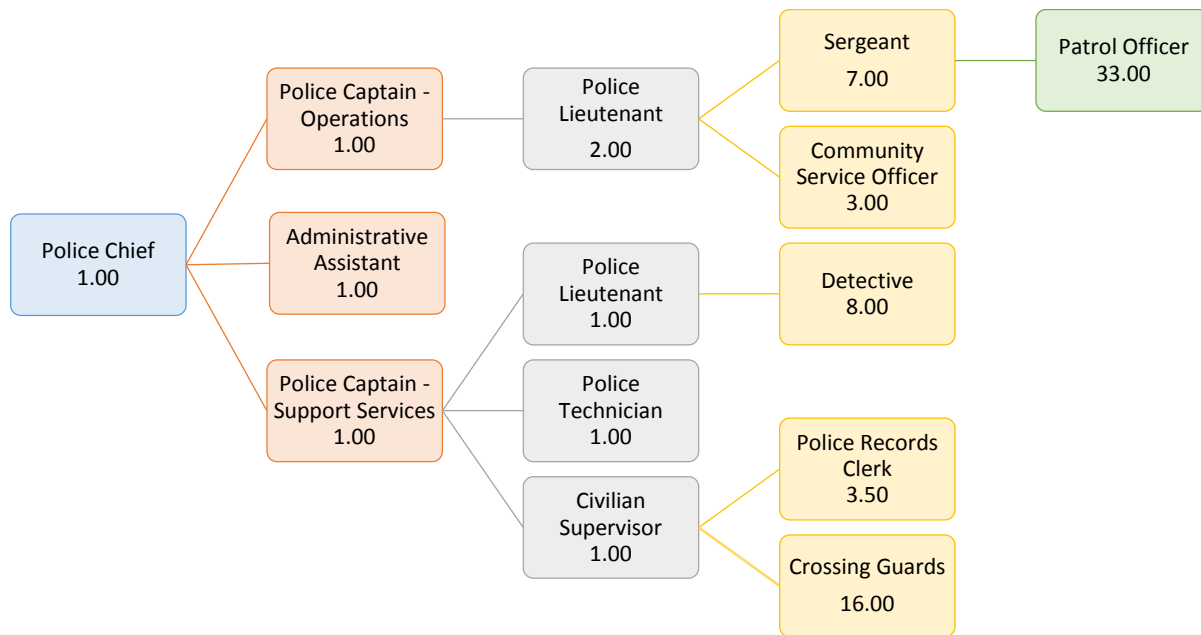
Terry Branstad	Governor
Kim Reynolds	Lt. Governor
Jack Whitver	Senator – District 19
Kevin Koester	Representative – 38 th District
John Landon	Representative – 37 th District

Federal Government

Barack Obama (D)	President
Chuck Grassley (R)	Senator
Tom Harkin (D)	Senator
Tom Latham (R)	Representative 3 rd District



Ankeny Police Department Organizational Chart



Authorized:

54 Sworn Officers
9.5 Civilian Employees
16 Crossing Guards



Ankeny Police Department

Administrative Staff 2014



Captain Joe Schaffer
Support Services – Investigations



Captain Makai Echer
Operations Division – Patrol



Lt. Ed Hamilton
Operations Division



Lt. Brian Huggins
Operations Division



Lt. Ben Bowersox
Support Services



Administration

Gary Mikulec	Chief of Police
Amber Murphy	Administrative Assistant

Support Services

Joe Schaffer	Captain	Keith Moeller	Civilian Supervisor
Ben Bowersox	Lieutenant	Janet Banning	Records Clerk
Betsy Anderson	Detective	Jo Berry	Records Clerk
Nate Lampe	Detective	Lany Herselius	Records Clerk - PT
Mark Moeller	Detective	Theresa Schrum	Records Clerk - PT
Dan Vallejo	Detective	Cheryl Turner	Records Clerk - PT
Brian Wasko	Detective	David Billings	Evidence Technician
Todd Webb	Detective		
James Wilson	Detective		

Operations

Makai Echer	Captain	Willie Figueroa	Sergeant
Ed Hamilton	Lieutenant	Rob Kovacs	Sergeant
Brian Huggins	Lieutenant	Brian Kroska	Sergeant
Scott Crouch	Admin Sergeant	Corey Schneden	Sergeant
Stephanie Braun	Sergeant	Travis Grandgeorge	Sergeant

Patrol Officers

Nic Bieber	Rebecca Feld	Kristina Lindell	Jeremy Ripperger
Bruce Christensen	Matthew Gallaher	Eric Lopez	Lincoln Schmeiser
Tony Christoph	Joel Hall	Trevor McGraw	Josh Schrandt
Jake Cusack	Tony Higgins	Zackary McVey	Andrew Tindall
Jeff Davis	Brad Hook	Jacob Miller	Chad Valline
Parker Day	Ryan Howe	Kory Miller	Jake Vander Wal
Kevin Ditsworth	Brian Johnson	Matt Mortvedt	Kurt Weitl
Tim Dodge	Aaron King	Mark Parks	Mike Williams
Brandon Dyer	Bret Lappin		

Community Service Officers

Christina Lemon	Scott Starr	Kent Webb
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New Employees

The Department welcomed six new employees in 2014

- Officer Jacob Miller – hired April 14, 2014
- Officer Andrew Tindall – hired April 15, 2014
- Officer Nicholas Bieber – hired May 5, 2014
- Officer Zachary McVey – hired August 7, 2014
- Officer Matthew Gallaher – hired August 8, 2014
- Officer Trevor McGraw – hired August 11, 2014



Mayor Lorenz, Officer Tindall & Chief Mikulec



Officer Jacob Miller



Mayor Lorenz & Officer McVey



Mayor Lorenz & Officer Bieber



Mayor Lorenz & Officer McGraw



2014 Promotion

On May 5, 2014
Officer Travis Grandgeorge was
promoted to Sergeant.



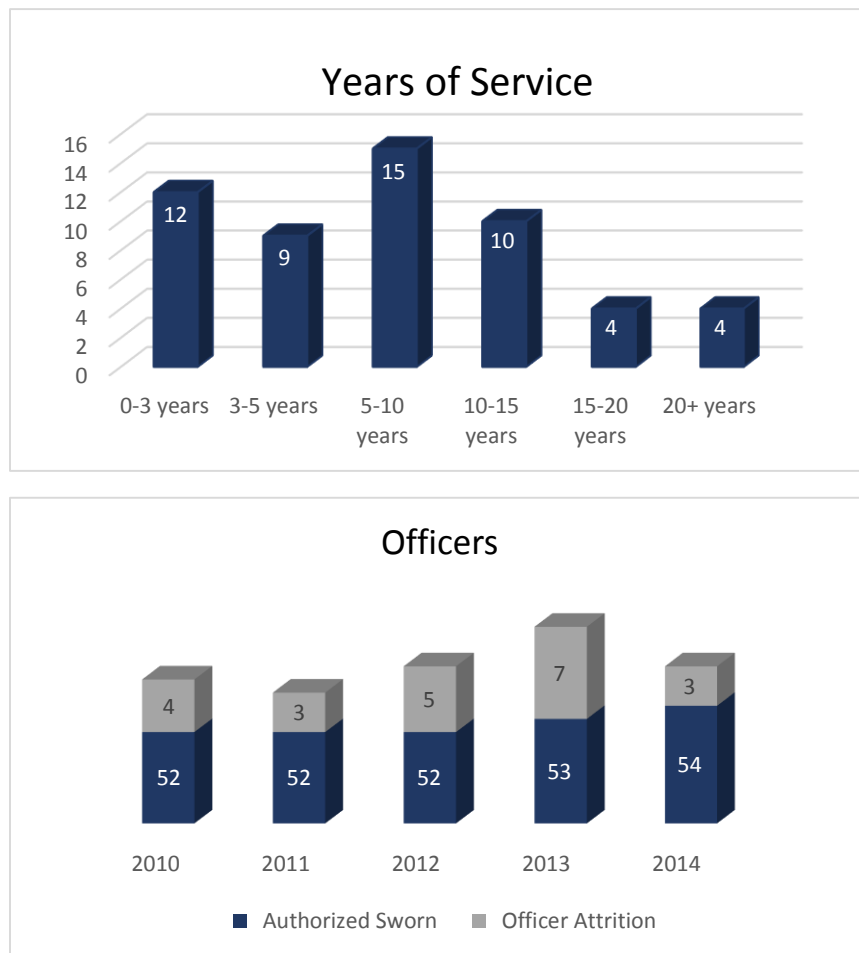
Mayor Lorenz & Officer Gallaher



Department Statistics and Turnover

Department recruitment remains a long and involved process. Turnover, including retirement averages 4-5 police officers annually however during 2014 only three police officers left our agency. Our recruiting reaches across the State of Iowa and it is not unusual to recruit out of state candidates in the process. The State of Iowa establishes basic recruitment criteria to include psychological testing, medical examinations, background investigations and a polygraph examination. Basic training at the Iowa Law Enforcement Academy is currently 15 weeks in length at a cost of \$5,697 per recruit. Retention is important to our agency noting that the recruitment process including training and field training is nearly twelve months in length.

During 2014 we had a turnover of 3 police officers. Beyond the costs of officer turnover the most significant measure impacted by officer turnover is years of service or experience.

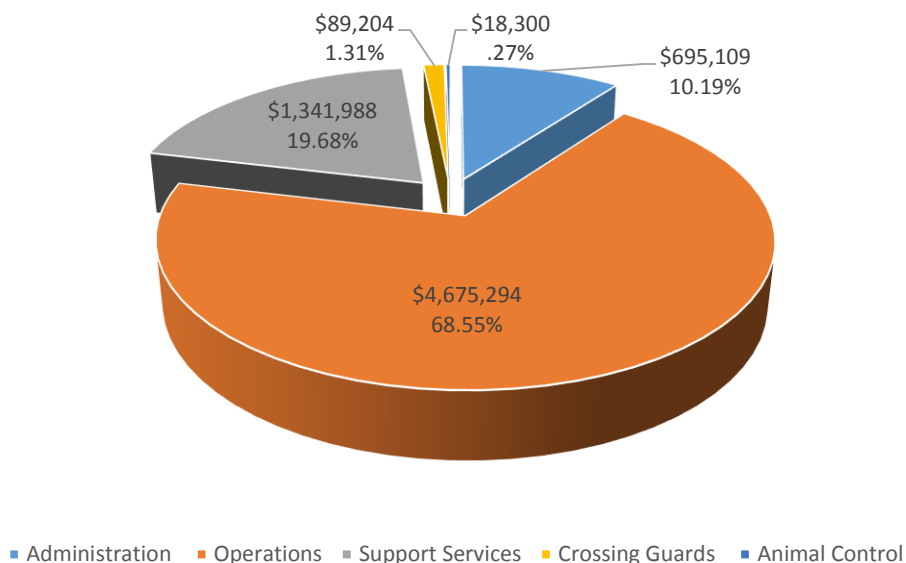


Administrative Division

This Division is primarily responsible for budget preparation and management. Much of the research and development that occurs in the Department results from efforts launched by the Police Chief and his administration. The chart below identifies the five main budgets within the Department collectively totaling \$6.7 million. The budget includes personnel expenses in all divisions but, also includes training, travel, fuel, building costs and utilities. The Crossing Guard budget is equally divided between the Ankeny School District and the City.

Fiscal Year 2014 Police Budget (July 1, 2014 – June 30, 2015)

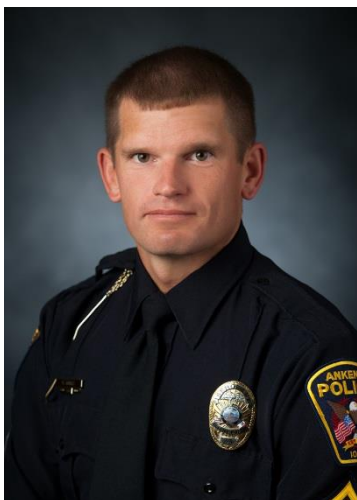
	Personal Services	Contractual Services	Commodities	Capital Outlay/Other	Total
Administration	\$221,839	\$449,373	\$23,897	\$0	\$695,109
Percent of Department	4%	69%	7%	0%	10.19%
Operations	\$3,849,206	\$138,569	\$293,204	\$394,315	\$4,675,294
Percent of Department	71%	21%	81%	100%	68.55%
Support Services	\$1,250,287	\$47,421	\$43,507	\$773	\$1,341,988
Percent of Department	23%	7%	12%	0%	19.68%
Crossing Guards	\$88,204	\$0	\$1,000	\$0	\$89,204
Percent of Department	2%	0%	0%	0%	1.31%
Animal Control	\$0	\$18,000	\$300	\$0	\$18,300
Percent of Department	0%	3%	0%	0%	0.27%
TOTALS	\$5,409,536	\$653,363	\$361,908	\$395,088	\$6,819,895



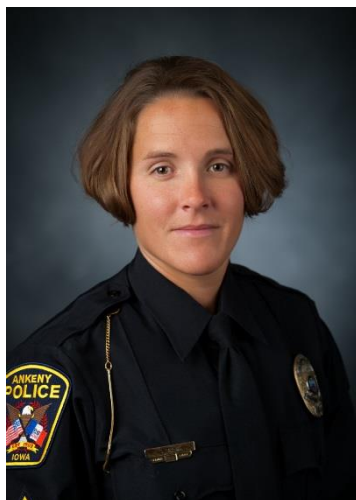
Operations Division



Sgt. Scott Crouch
Admin Sergeant



Sgt. Rob Kovacs
Patrol



Sgt. Stephanie Braun
Patrol



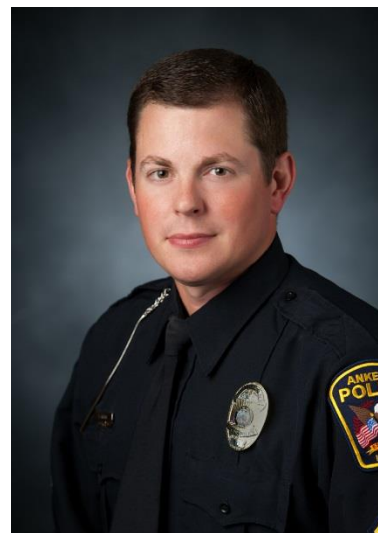
Sgt. Willie Figueroa
Patrol



Sgt. Corey Schneden
Patrol



Sgt. Travis Grandgeorge
Patrol

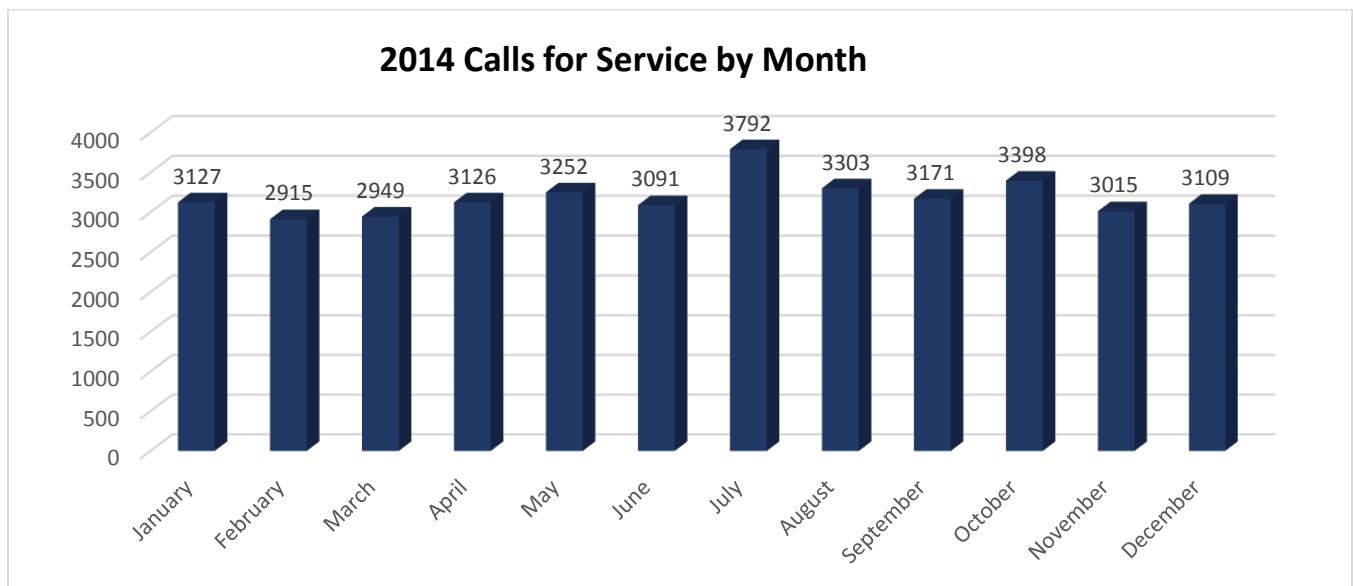


Sgt. Brian Kroska
Patrol



Calls for Service

Calls for service are captured and categorized by dispatchers as the request arrives from the public and police officers. The rise in calls for service are mostly associated with mental health calls and the time and resources allocated to those calls. The call for service may last only minutes but in other cases may generate hundreds of hours of work including investigative time. The event triggers a single incident and all associated matters related to that incident remain with the original event. Another consideration for understanding calls for service are the number of personnel responding to a call may vary from 2-8, or more officers. The data below simply provides a snapshot of the calls by month of the year and the number of official reports generated as a result of those calls for service.



DEPARTMENT STATISTICS					
	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Population of Ankeny	45582	46751	49500	51500	53000
Total Authorized Sworn Officers	52	52	53	53	54
Operations Division Authorized Sworn	41	41	42	42	43
Sworn Officers per 1,000 Population	1.14	1.11	1.07	1.02	1.01
Reports Taken	6371	6101	5608	5380	5540
Traffic Accidents	1340	1207	1266	1250	1271
Traffic Citations & Warnings	11244	10441	10178	12205	10925
Arrests	1104	1199	1211	1038	977
Calls for Service	39385	36265	36583	36591	38248



Patrol Area

This report captures roadway lane miles in Ankeny rather than roadway miles identified in earlier reports. Roadway lane miles are captured by GIS personnel and reflect better data capture used by the Department of Transportation.

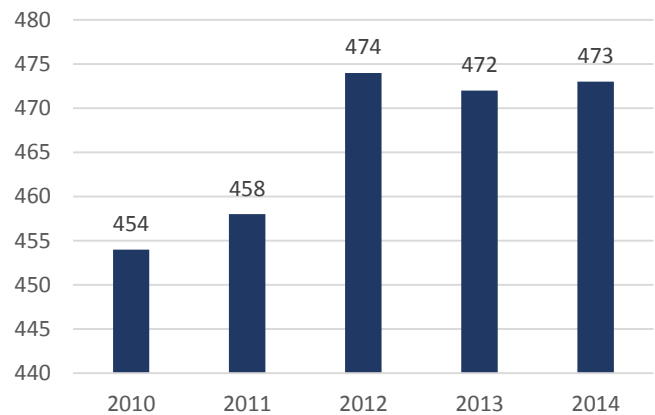
The traffic crashes include events on public roads, private roads as well as parking lots. Traffic crashes are impacted by a variety of factors including inclement weather, road construction and detours. The most serious and most costly of traffic crashes generally occur when roads are dry and weather conditions are favorable for increased traffic and faster speeds. Inclement weather and road construction helps to reduce speed and minimize damage associated with crashes.

Ankeny had one fatal accident in October 2014 when a pedestrian was struck by a vehicle on Oralabor Road.

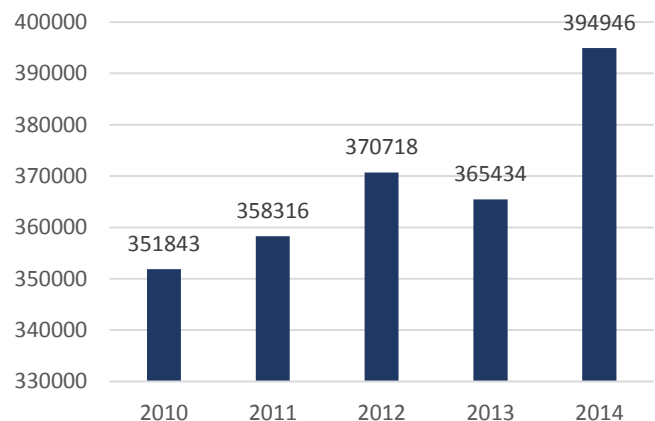
The majority of accidents are attributable to inattentive driving in some form including distracted driving or texting. The police provide directed patrol activity to neighborhoods requesting that service in addition to using moving radar during our patrol. In addition to speed enforcement by patrol officers we deploy speed boards which monitor and display speeds while collecting traffic and statistical data in the area. The data is used to identify peak violation times as well as identifying speeds of vehicles and vehicle counts.

Ankeny Police Department has several traffic crash reconstructionist capable of recreating a traffic crash including direction of travel, speed, vehicle momentum, braking distance and braking capacity. These reconstructionist are often called upon to sort out discrepancies and provide computer analysis associated with the laws of physics.

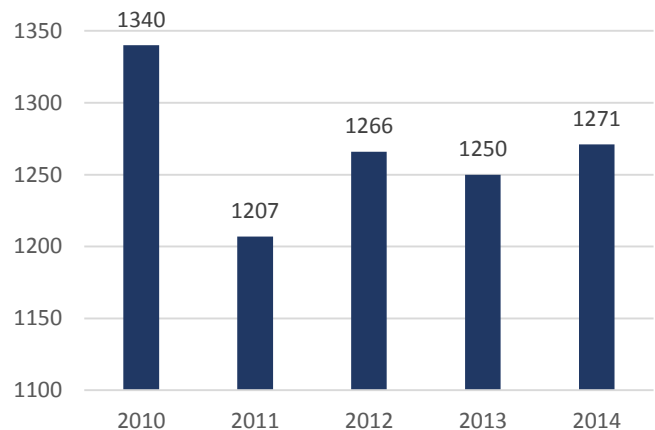
Roadway Lane Miles in Ankeny



Miles Logged by Patrol



Crash Number by Year



Support Services

Support Services manages a total of 30 positions including 10 sworn officers, records clerks, evidence technician, crossing guards and civilian supervisor. The civilian supervisor directly manages the crossing guard program including recruitment, retention, scheduling and training.

The sworn officers assigned to this Division are all detectives along with supervisors. The detectives are responsible for investigating and solving criminal cases. Our detectives work with local, state and federal investigators on a large number of cases and contribute daily to intelligence reports shared throughout the metropolitan region. Detectives also work in specialized drug units as well as the Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) unit with the State of Iowa. Many of these specialized criminal investigations have resulted in significant arrests in other states as a result of groundwork performed in Ankeny by our officers.

The records management chart provides an understanding of the activity of the records section who process and load all official reports while managing nearly 1,600 records requests annually and nearly 1,000 subpoenas for police officers. While still referred to as the records section the technology has evolved sufficiently to identify these employees as data entry specialists. The records clerks continue to manage walk-in traffic to our building while balancing telephone, e-mail and fax requests.

The case management chart reflects the actual number of incidents assigned to detectives for investigation, follow-up and clearance. Many of the exceptionally cleared cases were prosecuted through another agency who had the same suspect as we had. Some of those cases were prosecuted at the federal level while most were prosecuted at the state level.

Records Management	2011	2012	2013	2014
Record Checks	545	619	704	735
IBR Offenses	1916	1679	1979	1554
All Reports Filed	6101	5608	5380	5540
Subpoenas	999	1128	919	925
IBR Arrests	1705	1211	1038	977
Citations/Warnings	10454	10178	12205	10925
Insurance Reports/Fingerprinting	1538	2147	1558	1989
Accidents	1207	1266	1250	1271
Alarms (permits & fines)	670	524	573	677

Case Management	2014
Cases Assigned	870
Exceptional Cleared	207
Cleared by Arrest	88
Suspended	369
Open	91



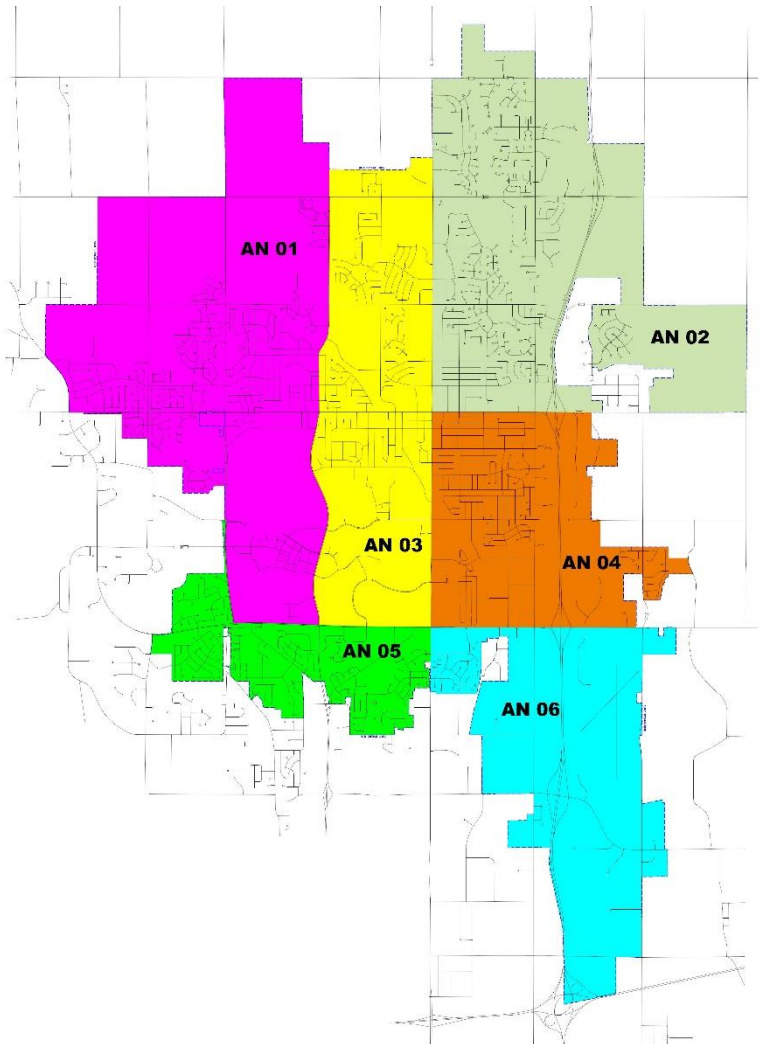
Crime Scene Vehicle

The Crime Scene Vehicle was unveiled to the public in July 2014. It is a first of its kind of vehicle in the State of Iowa utilizing the high cargo roof on an extended chassis. The vehicle was purchased through a partnership with funds from the City of Ankeny, seized funds, and a generous donation from the Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association. The vehicle hosts specialized shelving to transport and move expensive technology to and from crime scenes. It is equipped to collect, weigh and package evidence consistent with modern collection and preservation techniques without cross contamination. This CSI vehicle decreases operating costs and improves efficiency leading to stronger case documentation along with higher probability of solving the crime. This vehicle is expected to provide service to the community for 7-10 years.

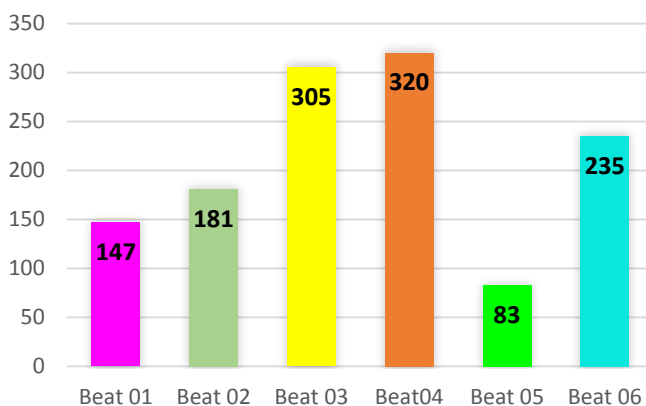


Accidents and Crime Trends by Neighborhood

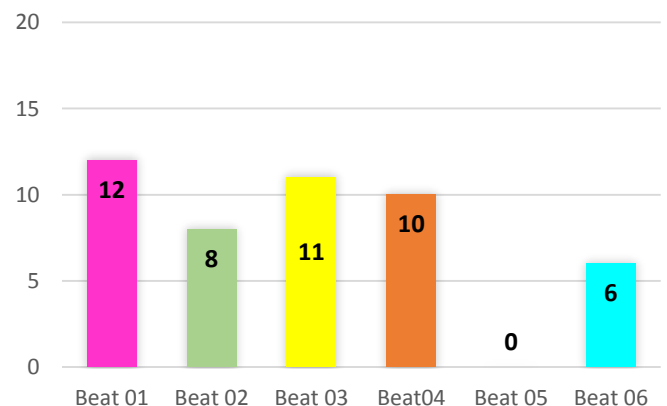
The data breakdown on these pages paints a clear picture of activity by our designated beat areas. The breakout of events correlates to the Uniform Crime Reports (UCR) statistics on following pages. The numbers did not significantly change from 2013 however it is important to identify that beat 4 hosts many retail establishments on Delaware Avenue and most of the theft cases are associated with shoplifting. Many of the assaults are related to domestic violence cases reflecting an even distribution among all beat areas. Ankeny had no robberies in 2014. The accident rate has remained steady for three consecutive years despite population and retail growth.



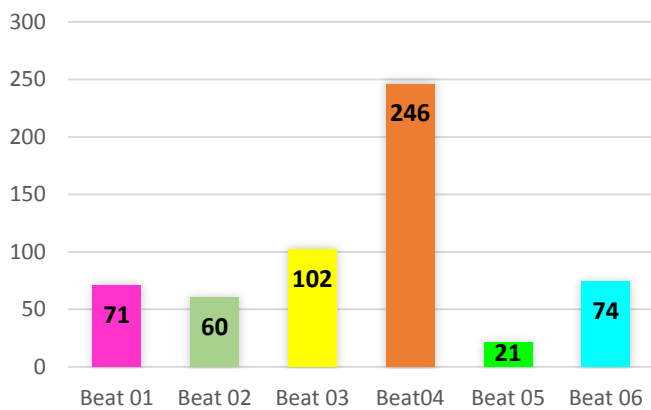
2014 ACCIDENTS BY BEAT



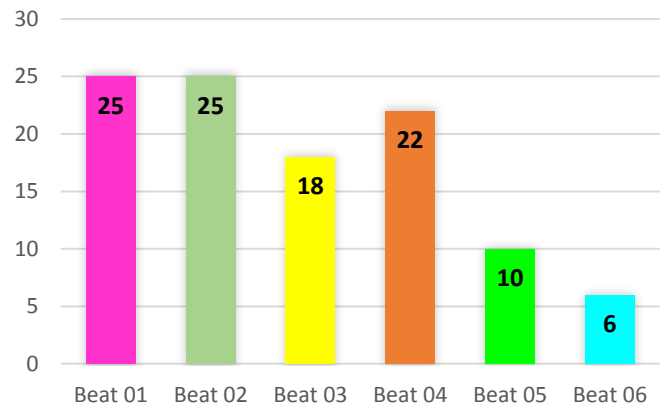
2014 AUTO THEFTS BY BEAT



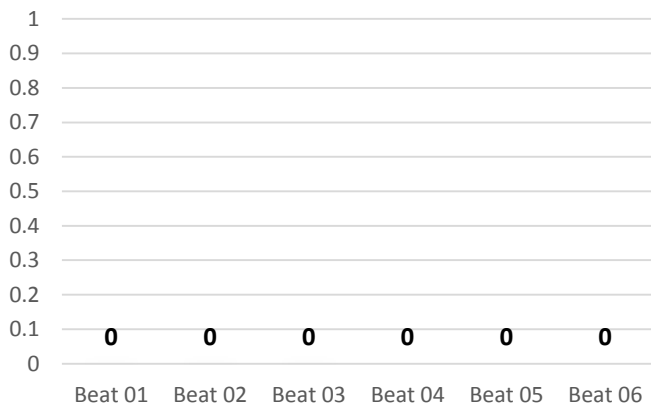
2014 THEFTS BY BEAT



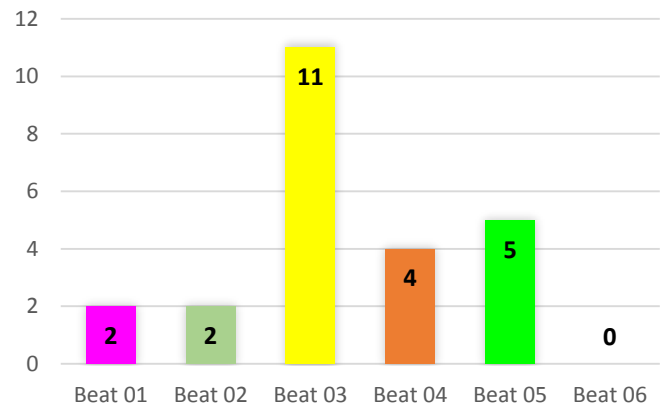
2014 Burglaries by Beat



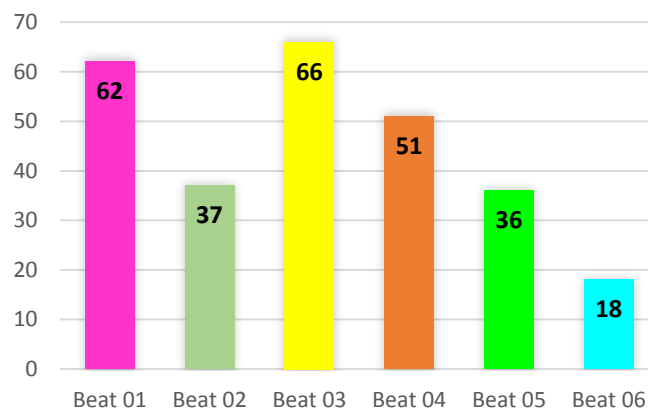
2014 Robberies by Beat



2014 Sex Abuse Cases by Beat



2014 Assaults by Beat



2014 Incident Reports

The Incident Report chart captures aggregate data pulled from Incident Based Reporting and Uniform Crime Report data. Arrests decreased slightly from 2013 but criminal clearances increased suggesting many of our suspects were involved in multiple crimes and multiple clearances. As efforts increase to provide pretrial diversion programs for both alcohol and drug violations the arrest totals also decrease, particularly upon satisfactory completion of the diversion program.

In some instances decreases are positive signs of strategic impacts by law enforcement. Operating While Intoxicated arrests fell in 2014 and that may be related to a number of positive variables including efforts by Ankeny Police Department to increase high visibility patrol at tavern closings. The number of reported sexual assaults remained unchanged however these are reported cases but not actual outcomes which often include dropped allegations or cases withdrawn by complainants.

Missing person cases increased nearly 90% and these cases include runaways and persons with mental health challenges who wander from family. The challenge with all missing person cases involves quick work to determine if the missing person is an abducted person. Child custody cases also contribute to missing person cases and the increase identified in 2014.

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	TOTAL
Calls for Service	3127	2915	2949	3126	3252	3091	3792	3303	3171	3398	3015	3109	38248
Crime Reports Taken	457	514	440	434	476	444	455	447	497	487	462	427	5540
Arrests	79	83	87	98	90	93	83	84	82	59	72	67	977
Adults	76	81	83	97	90	92	82	81	78	52	69	64	945
Juveniles	3	2	4	1	0	1	1	3	4	7	3	3	32
Missing Persons	2	5	3	3	6	12	4	1	9	6	7	6	64
Adults	0	4	2	2	3	4	1	0	4	3	3	4	30
Juveniles	2	1	1	1	3	8	3	1	5	3	4	2	34
Narcotic Violations	9	35	27	17	23	38	26	27	21	17	30	28	298
OWI	11	13	13	11	23	14	18	20	8	3	11	10	155
Public Intoxications	5	5	7	4	6	10	3	8	6	0	6	4	64
Suicides (includes attempts)	1	3	2	2	2	5	4	3	3	2	5	1	33
Sexual Assaults	1	3	2	5	5	0	2	0	0	3	3	1	30



Unified Crime Reports Statistics (UCR)

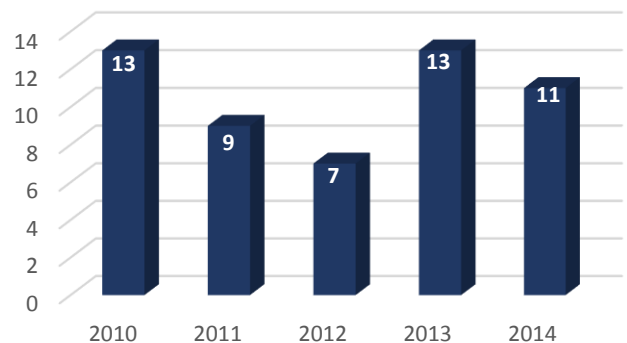
The Uniform Crime Reporting Program was conceived in 1929 and implemented shortly thereafter to provide comparable measurements of crime in our country. The UCR is maintained and published by the Federal Bureau of Investigation and published annually. The collection of crime statistics in nine categories is identified below in the bar graphs. These same nine categories create the UCR data collection. We experienced a decrease in UCR reportable offenses with a total of 534 index crimes in 2014. During 2013 we experienced 613 index crimes. Significant in the trending of these offenses are serial criminals responsible for multiple offenses. Arresting serial criminals can substantially decrease crimes and trending accounting for the decrease in offenses in 2014. The City of Ankeny had no homicides in 2014 and therefore there is no graph for this ninth category of UCR collection.

Crimes Against Persons

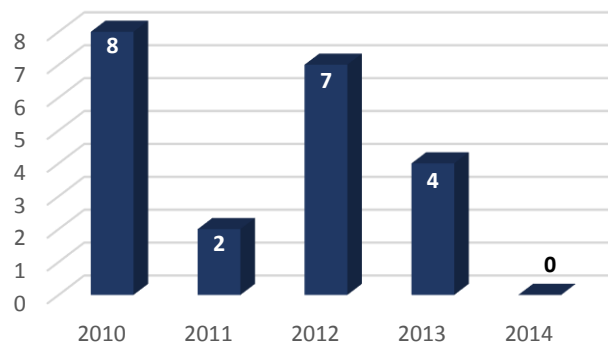
Assaults



Rape

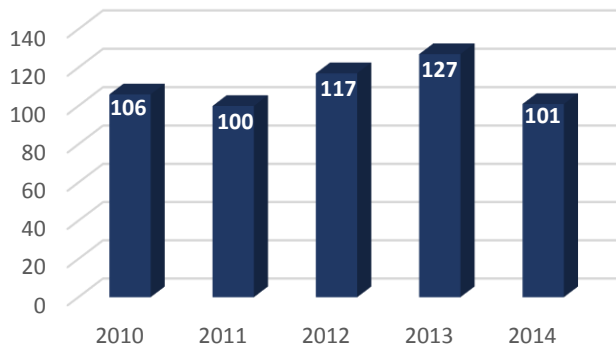


Robbery

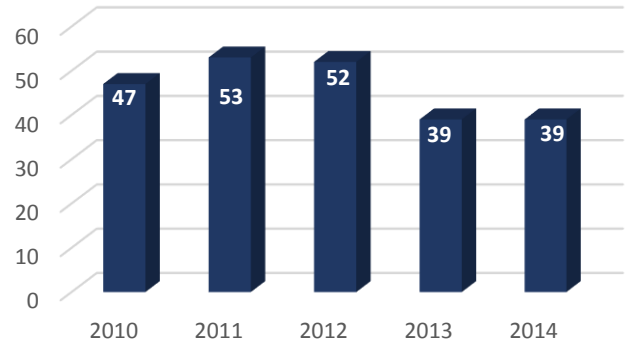


Crimes Against Property

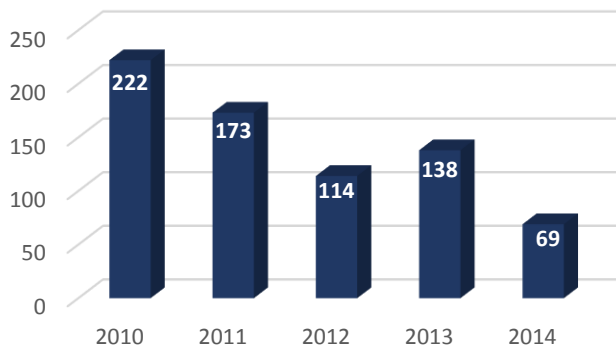
Burglary



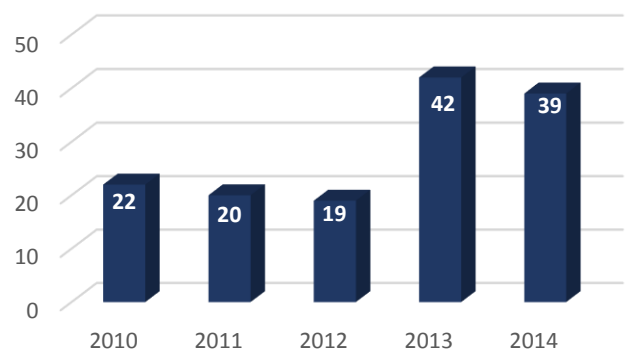
Theft From Building



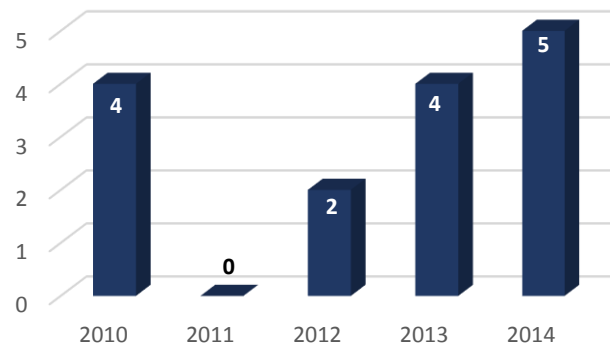
Theft From Motor Vehicle



Motor Vehicle Theft



Arson

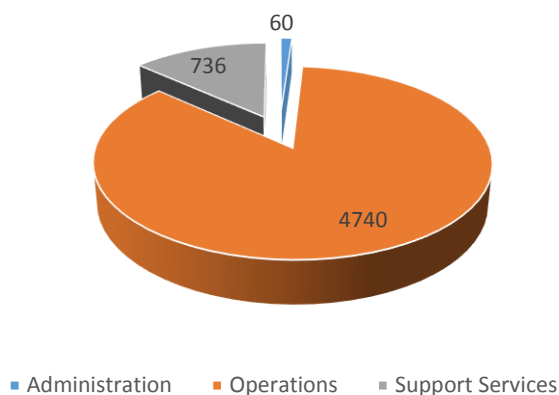


Training

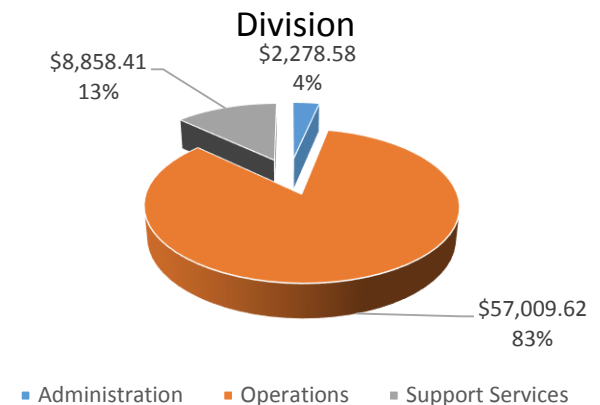
The training budget is driven largely by hiring and the need to certify new police officers. The 600 hour basic academy training costs nearly \$5,800. The training varies by Division with more specialized training consumed by detectives in Support Services while the Operations Division addresses more procedural training associated with their patrol activities. Calls for service play a significant role in addressing training needs. For example, technology crimes continue to evolve and grow more elaborate and the training requirements need to grow commensurately.

Beyond the 600 hours in the basic academy law enforcement officers are required to obtain 24 hours of training annually with very specific focuses on mental health, first aid, CPR, and use of force. The better equipped an agency the more training is required to use the equipment. A strategy to overcome the costs of training is to develop instructors within our agency who in turn can teach the balance of employees. We provide certified instructors in eight disciplines significantly cutting local costs.

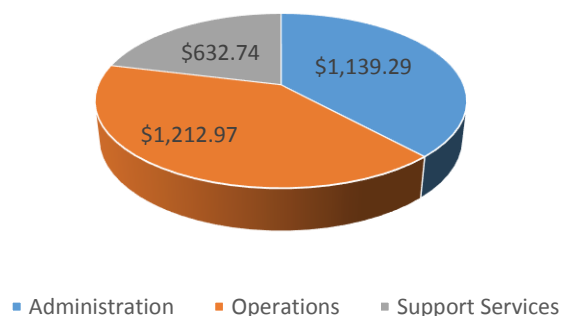
2014 Total Training Hours Per Division



2014 Training and Travel Expenses by Division



2014 Average Per Employee Training and Travel Dollars Per Division



Crossing Guards

This is an equal shared expense program between the City of Ankeny and the Ankeny School District costing a total of about \$90,000 annually. Rock Creek Elementary School on NW 36th Street opened their doors in the fall of 2014 and a crossing guard was assigned for this eighth elementary school. Crossing guards are compensated for their shift, either a morning or afternoon shift or both. The annual cost of a morning and afternoon crossing guard is \$5,400. The program is constructed to assist the children attending elementary schools. The program does not place crossing guards for middle schools or high schools. With the planning of additional elementary schools in the next several years this program will be expected to grow as well. The administration of this program falls under the guidance of our Records Supervisor, Keith Moeller.

School	Location	Guards
Ashland Ridge Elementary	NW Ash Drive & NW Georgetown Boulevard	2
Northeast Elementary	NE Trilein Drive & NE 15th Street	1
Northeast Elementary	NE Trilein Drive & NE 18th Street	2
Terrace Elementary	NW 5th Street & NW School Street	1
Terrace Elementary	NW 1st Street & NW School Street	2
Northwest Elementary	NW 1st Street & NW Kline Street	1
Westwood Elementary	NW 13th Street & Irvinedale Drive	1
Westwood Elementary	NW 5th Street & Irvinedale Drive	1
Southeast Elementary	SE Magazine Road & SE Trilein Drive	1
Crocker Elementary	NW 16th Street & SW Fieldstone Street	1
Crocker Elementary	NW 16th street & SW Meadow Ridge Drive	1
Crocker Elementary	SW Applewood Street & SW Polk City Drive	1
Rock Creek Elementary	NW 36 th Street & NW Abilene Road	1

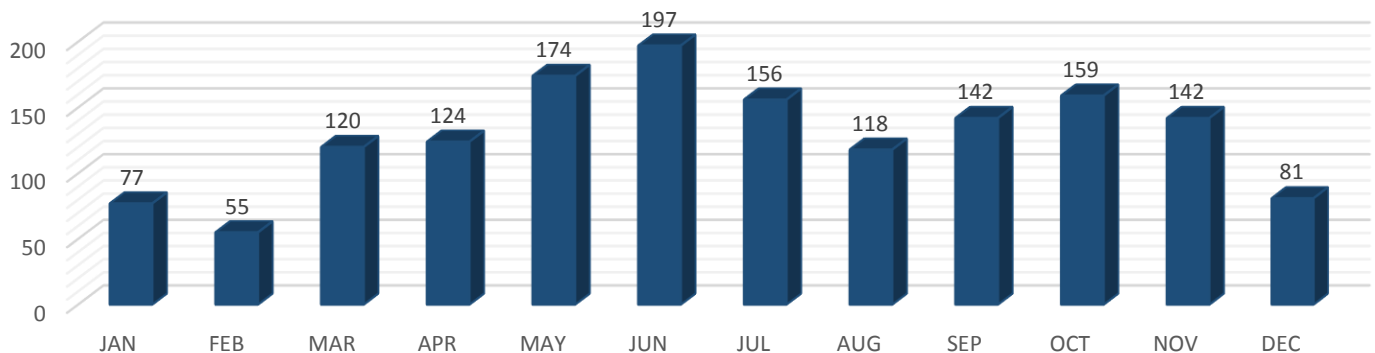


Animal Control

The calls for service related to animal events continues to rise every year. We increased from 1,417 calls in 2013 to 1,545 calls for service in 2014. While many of the calls are related to domestic pets including lost animals and bite cases, we also manage or assist with calls related to wildlife. The City contracts with the Animal Rescue League for kennel services spending between \$10,000 to \$11,000 annually on the care and quarantine of animals. Pet licensing remains a priority to reduce animal control costs and return lost pets to owners. Dog bite cases range from 35-45 events annually.



Animal Calls



Ankeny Police Department
411 SW Ordinance Rd
Ankeny, IA 50023
PH: 515-289-5240

